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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

MICHAEL O. CAMPOS,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	No. 18-cv-2305
v.	)	
	)	Hon. Charles R. Norgle
COOK COUNTY, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**OPINION AND ORDER**

Plaintiff Michael Campos (“Plaintiff”) brings the instant action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against Defendants Cook County, Cook County Sheriff’s Merit Board (“Merit Board”), Steptoe and Johnson, LLP (“Steptoe and Johnson”), Sheriff Thomas Dart, Bryon Brazier, James Nally, John Dalicandro, Brian Riordan, Jennifer Bae, Vince Winters, Patrick Brady, Kim Widup, Juan Balitierre, Gray Mateo Harris, Daniel Raymond, Terence Gonzalvez, and William Andrichik. Before the Court are the Merit Board and Sherriff Thomas Dart’s motion to dismiss, the Cook County State’s Attorney’s motion to dismiss, and Cook County’s motions to dismiss. For the reason stated, Defendants Cook County Merit Board and Sheriff Thomas Dart’s motion to dismiss is granted. The two remaining motions to dismiss are denied as moot.

**I. BACKGROUND**

**A. The Parties**

Plaintiff is a former Cook County Corrections officer who was terminated from his position 2011. The Merit Board is a statutorily constructed entity under 55 ILCS 5/3-7002 *et seq.*, in exclusively authorized to impose discipline in excess of 30 days and provide employees with meaningful and timely post-deprivation hearings. The following defendants were members of the